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Reforms in Railway Policies
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether new reforms have been carried out in the field of railway policies, their regulation and management;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the further efforts being made in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b) : Ministry of Railways (MoR) has carried out reforms in respect of number of areas. These include delegation of powers to field units to facilitate faster decision making; use of new sources of extra-budgetary resources for infrastructure investment through institutional financing; formation of state specific joint-venture companies for improved rail connectivity and use of social media platforms for redressal of grievances on near real-time basis, etc.

(c) : Government has decided to set up a Railway Development Authority (RDA), with the mandate to assist and advise Government by framing guiding principles/rules/models for tariff determination for both passenger and freight segments, ensuring fair play and level playing field for private investments, setting efficiency and performance standards and dissemination of information.

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